



# Pennsylvania Conference of Teamsters

**Strength in Numbers 95,000**

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## LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

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## PENNSYLVANIA PAYCHECK DECEPTION BILL DEFEATED

### Right to Voice Political Views Upheld

(HARRISBURG, Penn.) – Pennsylvania legislators voted last night against the proposed Senate Bill 166 which was characterized as a “paycheck protection” bill, but was actually a means to silence the voice of working families.

“‘Paycheck protection’ is part of a national effort being pushed by the same big corporations and CEOs who for years boosted their profits by sending American jobs overseas,” said William Hamilton, president of the Pennsylvania Conference of Teamsters and International Vice President.

“No worker can be forced to fund a union’s political and legislative activities. As it stands, union members choose whether to join a union, set their own dues, elect their own leaders and vote on where and how their money will be spent.”

“We applaud the legislators who voted NO on this bill. This bad legislation, part of the whole “right to work” platform, would have only served to hurt working families. With this defeat, working men and women will continue to have a right to voice their political views.”

The Pennsylvania Conference of Teamsters represents 95,000 Teamster members throughout the state and thousands of retirees.





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On behalf of the Pennsylvania Conference of Teamsters, our 95,000 members, their families and thousands on Teamster retirees, we would like to thank all the PA Senators and PA Legislators that stood with the working men and women of our great Commonwealth and supported our position in opposing PA Senate Bill 166.

The Teamsters, as well as, all other national and local unions that represent your constituents are made up of Democrats, Republicans and Independents.

The Teamsters are a bipartisan labor organization, and support candidates based on their support of the working men and women of Pennsylvania regardless of their party affiliation. If you stand with us we stand with you whole heartedly.

The middle class in the US was a direct result of organized labor helping your constituents to acquire better working conditions, safer working conditions and a family sustaining wage that actually gives your constituents the wages necessary to provide for their families. We have found that better wages actually benefit companies since employees that are compensated fairly work harder and are less likely to leave their employment. Lower wages result in employee turnover that cost companies more in the long run.

Against we would like to thank all those elected officials, both Republican and Democrat, which stood with us.

The PA Conference extends Holiday Greetings to all PA Senators and Legislators for a safe, healthy and happy holiday season and a safe, happy and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

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